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## STATE OF ARIZONA OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

WILLIAM THOMSON DEPUTY AUDITOR GENERAL

July 16, 2007

Governing Board Ash Fork Joint Unified School District No. 31 P.O. Box 247 Ash Fork, AZ 86320-0247

## Members of the Board:

In our December 12, 2006, compliance review report we notified you that the District had not complied with the *Uniform System of Financial Records* (USFR) for the year ended June 30, 2005.

We have since reviewed the District's audit reports and USFR Compliance Questionnaire for the year ended June 30, 2006, to determine whether the District was in compliance with the USFR as of that date. Based solely on our review of these documents, the District has complied with the USFR.

However, we noted that the District still had numerous internal control deficiencies cited by its auditors in the management letter and the USFR Compliance Questionnaire. These deficiencies indicate that the District's internal controls are still especially weak in the areas of cash receipts, student attendance reporting, and ensuring compliance with the School District Procurement Rules (*Arizona Administrative Code* R7-2-1001 et seq) and guidelines for competitive purchasing below the dollar limits required for sealed bids (USFR pages VI-G-8 and 9).

Although the cited deficiencies do not cause substantial noncompliance, the District must take corrective action to continue to satisfactorily comply with the USFR.

If you have questions concerning the deficiencies or how to correct them, or would like a written summary of deficiencies with recommendations for correction, please call Magdalene Haggerty, Accounting Services Director, or Jerry Strom, Accounting Services Manager, at (602) 553-0333.

Sincerely,

Debra K. Davenport Auditor General

## DKD/MH/is

cc: Mr. Gary Spiker, Superintendent
Ms. Debbie Webb, Business Manager
Ash Fork Joint Unified School District No. 31
The Honorable Tim Carter, Yavapai County School Superintendent
Ms. Vicki G. Salazar, Associate Superintendent of Financial Services
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